

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION

MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL DISPENSING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Article 1, section 105 of the Los Angeles County Fire Code states... a permit shall be obtained from the Fire Prevention Division prior to engaging in the following: ... to dispense flammable or combustible liquids, liquefied petroleum gases or compressed natural gas at motor vehicle fuel-dispensing stations. See Article 52. Additional requirements may be applicable.

Provide a minimum 40BC portable fire extinguisher within 30 feet (9144mm) of all dispensing or work areas. Extinguishers must be visible from dispensing area; signs may be used to indicate the location if not visible.

Flammable and combustible liquids, CNG and LP-gas shall not be dispensed inside buildings and dispensers shall not be located in buildings.

Dispensing devices shall be protected against physical damage from vehicles by mounting on a concrete island 6 inches (152.4mm) or more in height or by other approved methods.

Emergency shut down devices shall be provided for all fuel dispensers. Emergency shutdown devices for exterior fuel dispensers shall be located within 100 feet (30480mm) of, but not less than 20 feet (6096mm) from, dispensers. Such devices shall be distinctly labeled EMERGENCY FUEL SHUTDOWN. Signs shall be provided in approved locations.

Flammable liquids shall not be dispensed into portable containers unless such container is of approved material and construction, and having a tight closure with screwed or spring cover so designed so that the contents can be dispensed into without spilling. Liquids shall not be dispensed into portable tanks.

Flammable and combustible liquids and petroleum waste products shall not be discharged or released on sidewalks, streets, highways, drainage canals, ditches, storm drains, sewers, flood-control channels, lakes, rivers, tidal waterways or the ground.

Oily rags and similar materials shall be stored in metal, metal-lined, or other approved containers equipped with tightfitting covers.

Leak detecting devices shall be tested annually by the owner or occupant of the property on which they are located. Test results shall be maintained on the premises and available to the chief on request.

Additional permit(s) are required for the following: Repair garage operation, Storage of more than 5 gallons (18.9L) of flammable liquid inside a building, or more than 10 gallons (37.8L) of flammable liquid outside a building (above ground), spray painting, flammable liquid dip tanks, and LP-gas installations.

Waste liquids shall be kept in a sump, tank or receptacle approved for this purpose.

The dispensing of fuel into the fuel tanks of automobile, marinecraft or aircraft, or portable containers shall be under the supervision of a qualified attendant at all times.

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